# Fairfax County Park Authority Board Meeting November 10, 2015

The Vice Chairman convened the meeting at 7:32 p.m. at Park Authority Headquarters, 12055 Government Center Parkway, Fairfax, Virginia 22035.

**Board Members:** Staff:

William G. Bouie, Chairman\* Kirk W. Kincannon, Director

Ken Quincy, Vice Chair Sara Baldwin, Deputy Director/COO

Michael W. Thompson, Jr., Secretary Aimee L. Vosper, Deputy Director/CBD

Harold L. Strickland, Treasurer

Edward S. Batten, Sr.

Barbara Gorski

Judy Pedersen

Walter Alcorn David Bowden
Mary Cortina Todd Johnson

Linwood Gorham\*

Faisal Khan\*

Cindy Walsh

Frank S. Vajda

Anthony J. Vellucci

Barbara Nugent

Cindy Walsh

Janet Burns

Sandy Stallman

Grace Han Wolf\*

Anna Bentley

Brian Williams

Absent\* Peter Furey

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No speakers were present.

# **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

ADMIN-1 Adoption of Minutes, October 28, 2015, Park Authority Board Meeting
Mr. Thompson made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 28, 2015,
Park Authority Board meeting; seconded by Mr. Alcorn. The motion carried. Ms.
Wolf, Messrs. Bouie, Gorham, and Khan were absent.

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

- A-1 <u>Approval of Annual Review and Distribution of Telecommunications Revenues</u>
  Mr. Thompson made a motion to approve the CRMP, NRMP and district specific projects; seconded by Ms. Cortina. The motion carried. Ms. Wolf, Messrs. Bouie, Gorham, and Khan were absent.
- A-2 <u>Scope Approval Colvin Run Miller's House Structural and Exterior Envelope</u> <u>Rehabilitation (Dranesville District)</u>

Mr. Thompson made a motion to approve the project scope to rehabilitate structural elements and exterior envelope of the Colvin Run Miller's House; seconded by Ms. Cortina. The motion carried. Ms. Wolf, Messrs. Bouie, Gorham, and Khan were absent.

# A-3 <u>Scope Approval – Playground Replacement and Related Work at Audrey Moore</u> RECenter (Braddock District)

Mr. Vellucci made a motion to approve the project scope for design and installation of replacement playground equipment and related work at Audrey Moore RECenter; seconded by \_\_\_. The motion carried. Ms. Wolf, Messrs. Bouie, Gorham, and Khan were absent.

A-4 <u>Scope Approval – Mount Vernon RECenter Renewal Phase I (Mount Vernon District)</u>
Mr. Vajda made a motion to approve the project scope for Phase I for renewal of Mount Vernon RECenter; seconded by Mr. Batten. The motion carried. Ms. Wolf, Messrs. Bouie, Gorham, and Khan were absent.

### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

I-1 Needs Assessment Update and Service Level Standards
Ms. Bentley and Ms. Stallman presented proposed service level standards as recommended and developed by PROS Consulting and staff, and lead board members through consideration of contribution levels. The board noted that it was having difficulty understanding the methodology used to generate the information and asked staff

- I-2 <u>Infrastructure Overview Roadways and Parking Lots</u> No action was necessary.
- I-3 Energy Management Plan Update
  No action was necessary.
- I-4 FY 2016 First Quarter Budget Review, Fund 10001, Park Authority General Fund No action was necessary.

to return with the information in a format that is more easily understood.

- I-5 FY 2016 First Quarter Budget Review, Fund 80000, Park Authority Revenue and Operating Fund

  No action was necessary.
- I-6 <u>Planning and Development Quarterly Project Status Report</u> No action was necessary.

#### **CHAIRMAN'S MATTERS**

- Mr. Quincy stated that the board received the Rules and Protocol Manual for their review and comments, which are due by November 30. He asked that the board not wait until November 30 to submit comments.
- Mr. Quincy reminded the board that the Elly Doyle Park Services Awards ceremony will take place on November 20, at Waterford at Fair Oaks.
- He thanked Ms. Pedersen for a great article in the Sun Gazette on the Park Authority.

#### **DIRECTOR'S MATTERS**

- Mr. Kincannon commented that a couple of weeks ago there was media exposure related to the synthetic turf issue. He stated the he would send out the county's response. The county is working through the Health Department. The EPA has been asked by Congress to investigate and answer some of the questions the public has asked. It's his understanding that the EPA will be working with the State of California looking at some of that information and conducting a testing program.
- In September 2015 Audrey Moore RECenter launched a pilot program partnering with INOVA physical therapy. The program is designed to create a user-friendly environment that allows individuals to easily transition from medically-based exercise to community-based exercise under one roof. Physical therapy is available at Audrey Moore by licensed INOVA therapists who work with FCPA fitness professionals to move their clients successfully and safely to personal exercise plans in the RECenter. This continuum of care also provides a supportive environment for pre-rehab, prevention and maintenance as individuals' fitness needs change over a lifetime. Other services such as free balance screenings offered by INOVA help customers identify problem areas that may be addressed by services and programs offered at the RECenter. We look forward to increasing exercise adherence, growing a healthier community, developing new revenue streams, and exploring new ways to partner with INOVA in the future. The pilot program will be reviewed after one year for potential expansion to other RECenters.
- In partnership with the Fairfax County Park Foundation the Fairfax County Park Authority RECenters will host veterans and their families at no cost at eight RECenters throughout the county on Wednesday, November 11. The Park Foundation provides this opportunity annually through generous donations from donors.
- The Fairfax County Park Authority will join in the national celebration of Veterans Day on November 11, 2015, by offering free RECenter admissions to those who serve and have served in the U.S. Armed Forces.

Veterans and active duty military personnel and their families are invited to use the county's RECenters at no cost on Veterans Day.

It's the Park Authority's way of saying "thank you" for service to our country.

- Mr. Kincannon reminded the board that the LT. Col. Gary F. Smith Memorial field opening will take place at Grist Mill Park on Veterans' Day, November 11, at 10 a.m.
- The Park Authority received a couple of awards at the VRPS annual meeting.
- The Best New Special Event, which was the PirateFest that was held at Lake Fairfax, for municipalities with a population of over 100k. Kirk extended congratulations to the team that put on the PirateFest.
- The Oak Marr RECenter Expansion Project was recognized as the Best New Renovation for communities over 100K in population. Kirk thanked the members of our Project Team for a job well done.
- The Volunteer of the Year for the State of Virginia was awarded to Bob Dinse who is a volunteer with the Resource Management and Park Operations Divisions. Kirk offered congratulations to Bob and thanked him for his support.

### **BOARD MATTERS**

- Mr. Vajda wished everyone a happy Veterans' Day.
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- Mr. Alcorn reported that Reston North Park field #2 recently got a fence put up around the baseball field. This is something that something that residents of the community have been asking for, for a long time because the neighbors like to walk their dogs through the field.
  - Mr. Kincannon mentioned that the fence was installed by the Reston Little League through a Mastenbrook Volunteer Matching Fund Grant.
- Mr. Strickland reported that there were three field namings in the Sully District on Saturday, November 7, for Jeff Stein, Gary Flathers, and Ralph Wills.

He thanked Ms. Pedersen and her crew and the Park Operations Area 5 folks for providing a great event. The weather was raw but the events were fantastic. We had a good turnout with about 30-40 folks at each event. Supervisors Frey and Herrity spoke and Sully Supervisor-elect Kathy Smith and Planning Commissioner John Litzenberger, also attended.

He thanked Mr. Thompson for coming out with Supervisor Herrity.

All three had their parents at the events. One flew his mother up from Florida; one drove his mother up from Richmond; and, one had his father come from Wisconsin. They placed that importance on them receiving this recognition and each of them thanked Parks for the recognition.

Mr. Strickland also attended the Sully Foundation's meeting last week. The Foundation thanked Supervisor Frey and gave him a little memento for all the work he has done for the Sully Historic Site over the past 23 years. Carol McDonnell and her staff did a great job hosting the event.

He was pleased with the events held in the Sully District in the past week.

 Mr. Thompson thanked Mr. Strickland for inviting him to the field namings. It was great for staff and all the volunteers, including a husband that helped with getting the site ready for the event.

Mr. Thompson invited everyone to come out to Burke Lake Park on Saturday, November 14, at 9:20 a.m. for the Volleyball Complex naming in honor of David Lacey.

He thanked staff for the presentation at the Athletic Council meeting on the Needs Assessment.

While he will be unable to attend the Elly Doyle Awards ceremony, he commented that he is sure it will be a great event. He offered congratulations to all those receiving awards.

- Mr. Strickland added that Dave Bowden also attended the field namings.
- Ms. Cortina stated that she was pleased with the partnership with INOVA. It's a great opportunity to use another partner toward health and wellness. If the pilot goes well and Parks can expand its relationship it's a great service to the community. When she first learned of this partnership, she thought of a resident she heard from through Chairman Bulova's office. He said that even though there are fitness facilities elsewhere in the county he was recuperating from a motorcycle accident he felt more comfortable going to a place like South Run RECenter where he could be helped therapeutically to get back on his feet than a fitness center where everyone already seems to be fit.

He felt more comfortable in the community and in a place where his kids played ball and he coached. He said not to forget about this very important need in the community – this is what RECenters do. He received encouragement from staff at South Run.

Parks needs to keep in mind that even though Parks talks about the revenue facilities to produce revenue there are other values that they produce in the community. She had visited a lot of parks during this fall season—Lake Accotink, Riverbend, Burke Lake, and they have all looked beautiful. All the maintenance items, such as restrooms and trash, were all in top shape. She took a photo at Burke Lake that showed so many people that were on the shoreline, in the lake in the rowboats, people with kayaks, people out by the geese. It was so busy she thought it would be a perfect picture for ParkTakes. People from all over the community were there, including people that were visitors from other countries. Mary thanked all the Park employees that make these places wonderful for all of us.

• Mr. Batten stated that he periodically looks through ParkTakes and the new issue reminds him of just how fantastic Parks is at doing what it does and just how much is available to the community because it exists. The work the board does to help staff do what it does on a daily basis is a constant reminder to him. No matter how good we are and how good we thing we are, there is always room for improvement. He offered thanks to all that help make this a reality for everyone in this community and beyond.

He stated that he hopes that everyone will be able to attend the Elly Doyle Awards. It should be a special affair.

Mr. Batten once again reminded the board that there is an expanding board of the Park Foundation and that the Park board's participation in recruiting people for that board is encouraged. There are some magisterial districts that are not represented.

Ms. Cortina asked if joint meeting of the Park Authority Board and the Park Foundation Board had been scheduled.

Mr. Kincannon indicated that it has been scheduled for March 5; however, the Foundation Board has asked to attend the January 27 meeting to hear the Needs Assessment presentation given by the consultant.

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

At 9:03 p.m. Mr. Thompson made a motion that the Park Authority Board convene in closed session for

a. Discussion of the acquisition or disposition of real property for a public purpose, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of this public body in pursuant to Virginia Code 2.2 – 3711(A)(3);

seconded by Mr. Strickland. The motion carried. Ms. Wolf, Messrs. Bouie, Gorham, and Khan were absent.

## CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION

Mr. Thompson made a motion to certify that, to the best of each member's knowledge, only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under Virginia Code 2.2-3712 and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered in the meeting by the Board; seconded by Mr. Alcon. The motion carried; Ms. Wolf, Messrs. Bouie, Gorham, and Khan were absent.

- C-1. <u>Update on Planning and Development Quarterly Project Status Report</u>
  No action was necessary.
- C-2 <u>Update on Property Located in the Sully District</u> No action was necessary.
- C-3 <u>Update on Property Located in the Braddock District</u> No action was necessary.
- C-4 <u>Update on Property Located in the Dranesville District</u> No action was necessary.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Without objection Mr. Quincy adjourned the meeting at 9:13 p.m.

Minutes Approved at Meeting on December 16, 2015	Michael W. Thompson, Jr., Secretary
Kirk W. Kincannon, Director	Park Authority Board Minutes prepared by
	Barbara J. Gorski, Administrative Assistant